

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Lang et al. Att'y Docket: 2960/112
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Invention: Minimally Invasive Joint Implant with 3-Dimensional Geometry Matching the
Articular Surfaces

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RESPONSE C

Dear Sir:

This response is being filed along with a Request for Continued Examination and is responsive to the final Office Action mailed December 14, 2007. The applicants respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.